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Actor Made Statement to Woman as He Lay Dying in Street

WOMAN WITNESS DISCOVERED WHO HEARD DYING STATEMENT OF MURDERED MOVIE ACTOR

Actor's Sweetheart Frankly Champions Accused Movie Man in Statement—She and His Wife Agree That Scuffle Preceded Shot—"Deserved What He Got," Girls Says.

Capt. Dinan of the Edgewater, N. J., police said to-day that a new witness in the killing of Jack Bergen, movie actor, by George Wals Kline, Friday night, had been found. Her name was not disclosed.

The woman is said to have been passing the Kline home when Bergen tumbled down the steps, mortally hurt, and fell upon the sidewalk. She ran to aid him and it is understood that Bergen made a statement to her which is regarded by Prosecutor Hart as very material to the crime.

Though Charles Scullion, brother of Mrs. Kline, has admitted going upstairs when Bergen confessed his intimacy with Mrs. Kline and attempted to justify it by saying that "all women were alike," and bringing down a revolver which he handed to Kline, there have been no indications as yet of action to be taken against him. The first coherent statement was made by Mrs. Kline to-day.

Mrs. Kline insisted that her husband's tale of an agreement to fight a duel in a dark bedroom in their home was true and that what she heard indicated that his story that Bergen treacherously tried to shoot before the light was extinguished also was true.

There was no material difference in Mrs. Kline's statement from that of Miss Thornton, Bergen's former sweetheart, as published for the first time in The Evening World yesterday. Miss Thornton to-day added to that statement and came out frankly as a champion of Kline in the tangled tragedies of the Kline household.

WIFE ANGRY AT STORY OF AFFECTION FOR ACTOR.

Mrs. Kline denied with angry indignation Miss Thornton's story that she had been unduly affectionate with Bergen before the affair at the St. Regis Hotel at Saratoga.

"There is a lot to be said about that girl," Mrs. Kline said. "More than that, she is not telling the truth. She will get her at my husband's trial."

William D. Mackay of Hackensack, President of the New Jersey Senate, who has been retained by Kline, said to-day that heretofore all statements of the Kline family would be made by him. He denied a statement of Miss Thornton that she also had retained him.

Prosecutor Hart said to-day he would not comment on the additions made by Miss Thornton to-day to her statement of yesterday, so that it now conforms to Mrs. Kline's story of an agreement between Kline and Bergen to fight a duel in the dark.

In the 100 names drawn yesterday for jury service at the September term forty-nine are women. This indicates a mixed jury, particularly as it is understood both prosecution and defense want women on the jury that tries Kline.

Prosecutor Hart insists that certain persons have not told the truth about what took place in the Kline home and intimates he may make additional arrests if the facts are not forthcoming by to-morrow.

Mrs. Kline had talked to no one of the shooting except the prosecutor and detectives until at her home last evening, frequently in tears, she told reporters of her love for her husband, to whom she referred as a "big man."

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BURGLARS' NOTE TOLD VICTIM HE'D BE SURPRISED

Stationer Found It Pinned to Door—True Enough, Store Was Looted.

When Saul Liberman, who operates a stationery store at No. 876 Prospect Avenue, Bronx, and lives upstairs, went to open the front door of his place of business to-day he found a note pinned to the door reading:

"You'll be surprised."

He was. On opening the door he found that burglars had looted the place to the extent of \$500 worth of his stock.

The Simpson Street police were notified.

JOHNSON LEADS MOORE BY 31,000 IN SENATE PRIMARIES

Apparently Successful in the Hardest Fight He Has Experienced.

LEAD STEADILY GROWS.

Opponent Asserts Late Returns Will Change Figures, Defeating Senator.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30 (Associated Press).—Senator Hiram Johnson continued to increase his lead over C. C. Moore during the morning count of yesterday's voting in the race for the Republican Senatorial nomination.

The figures from 2,344 precincts of the State's 6,655 gave Johnson, 104,531; Moore, 74,819.

San Francisco, Johnson's home town, with only eight precincts unreported, showed a plurality of nearly 20,000 for him. Moore had conceded Johnson 15,000 here.

Returns from Los Angeles, claimed by Moore adherents as a stronghold, came in slowly. Moore claimed 10,000 plurality in Los Angeles and half as much in San Diego. Returns this morning showed Moore about 3,000 ahead in Los Angeles, with only about a third of the precincts reported and slightly behind in San Diego County, with about a fourth of the precincts in.

All Congressmen who had contests in their districts apparently had a safe margin for re-election.

Friend W. Richardson, State Treasurer, early to-day was leading Gov. William D. Stephens in their race for the Republican gubernatorial nomination. The latest count gave Richardson 65,224 and Gov. Stephens 67,908. The figures were from 1,904 precincts.

On the Democratic ticket William J. Pearson of Los Angeles was unopposed for the Democratic nomination for United States Senator.

District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolwine of Los Angeles had the lead for the Democratic nomination for Governor. For 1,130 precincts the vote stood: Woolwine 7,411; Mattison B. Jones 2,751.

Moore, in a statement early to-day, said: "The result still is in doubt and indications are that it will be very close. Our success depends on returns from Southern California. The precincts already heard from are Johnson strongholds."

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Daniel J. Kennelly, the Federal Agent, says that he followed the truck from Tenth Avenue and 40th Street until it stopped in front of the Médico Distributing Company at No. 432 East 75th Street, and then climbed upon the running board and interrogated the chauffeur. When he did this he says Patrolman Sasek appeared and claimed the prisoner.

Kennelly telephoned the local prohibition headquarters and Agents Kerrigan and Stafford were sent up. Kerrigan says when he endeavored to take the prisoner Sasek struck him and he struck back. There was a lively fight for a few minutes and two other policemen sent for by Sasek, arrived from the East 67th Street Station. Sasek claims that Kerrigan pulled a revolver on him.

The fight settled, there was an adjournment of all parties to the East 67th Street Station. The Federal agents reported that they were treated with scant courtesy there. While they were reporting the arrest Louis Lissman of No. 1550 55th Street, the chauffeur of the truck, was taken to Yorkville Court, where he was held.

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JAPANESE CRUISER SINKS IN TYPHOON WITH 300 IN CREW

Virtually All Hands Reported Lost in Disaster Off Kamchatkan Coast.

DESTROYER TO SCENE.

Loss of Niitaka Is Confirmed in Reports to Admiralty.

TOKIO, Aug. 30 (Associated Press).—The Japanese cruiser Niitaka went down in a typhoon off the Kamohatka coast Aug. 26, with virtually all hands, according to confirmed advices received by the Admiralty.

The naval report said that practically none of her crew of 300 was saved. The destroyer Maki was ordered to the scene of the disaster.

The Niitaka is a second class cruiser of 2,420 tons displacement, launched in 1901.

500,000 IN CHICAGO ASK FOR CHANGE IN 18TH AMENDMENT

More Than Thirty-Nine Per Cent. of the Signers Are Registered Women.

(Special to The Evening World.)

CHICAGO, Aug. 30.—The completion of the beer and light wine petition will be celebrated to-night at the Coliseum. More than 800,000 names—twice as many as are necessary—have been obtained for the petition asking the State to put to the voters in November a proposed modification of the Eighteenth Amendment, allowing the manufacture of beer and light wines. The petition will be exhibited in the Loop to-day until 3 o'clock, when it will be started for Springfield.

It is said that more than 29 per cent. of the signers of the petition are registered women voters.

AMUNDSEN GIVES UP FLIGHT THIS YEAR

Explorer Plans to Hop Off Next Spring.

NOME, Alaska, Aug. 29 (Associated Press).—Capt. Roald Amundsen, Norwegian explorer, has definitely abandoned for this year his plan for an airplane flight from Northern Alaska across the North Pole to Spitzbergen or Grant's Land, but plans to hop off next spring.

This became known to-day with the arrival here of the coast guard cutter Bear from Point Barrow.

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T N T Hooch Threatens to Blow Roof Off Police Station in Brooklyn

120 Quarts Imitate Manhole Explosion—Afraid to House It, Cops Pour It Down Sewer.

One hundred and twenty quarts of what acted like T N T, which an enterprising Brooklyn bootlegger had mistakenly connected as a beverage, was poured down a sewer to-day by police of the Poplar Street Station, that borough, in the fear that the roof of Police Headquarters would be blown off if they didn't. The concoction, which had been sealed three weeks ago, was in large milk cans and all last night had ambitiously been imitating exploding manhole covers.

The hooch was so active and potted so resentful over its seizure that none of the regular police booze receiving stations would accept it. Three in charge of the station at 138th Street and Harlem River turned it down and then Union Market Station officials said "nix." Finally, Capt. Hubert Callahan of the Poplar Street Station was afraid that the sewer into which it was poured also would refuse to accept it in its present state, so he thinned it out by mixing a

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN WHOSE LONG CAREER ENDS



FATHER M'GEAN, CHAPLAIN OF FIRE DEPARTMENT, DEAD

Priest Long Noted for Deeds of Bravery and Many Charities.

The Rev. Vincent de Paul M'Gean, for many years a chaplain of the New York Fire Department, and rector of the Church of St. James, at No. 23 Oliver Street, died to-day at the rectory. He was forty-six years old.

With a mass of curly jet black hair above his florid face, 6 feet in height and weighing over 250 pounds, Father M'Gean was a gallant figure of a man.

For ten years and more he was a chaplain, he never failed to appear among the first in response to a second alarm in any part of the city, called from his rectory by a gong above his head. When the department was motorized, he refused to accept an automobile, saying the horse and wagon which the department had furnished him suited him better.

The records of his acts of bravery before and after his appointment as a part of the history of the dangerous fires of the city in the last twenty years. He found time in the midst of his pastoral duties and attendance at

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LOCAL COAL MEN DECRY FAMINE IN CITY'S FUEL SUPPLY

Confident Situation Will Be Cleared Up Before Leaves Fall.

SOFT COAL AVAILABLE.

Mayor's Committee Asks Hearing on Rapid Transit Breakdown.

Optimism pervaded the atmosphere of the local coal companies' offices to-day, big dealers expressing confidence that the situation would be cleared up in a few days more and the apprehensions of persons who fear the chill of next winter will have been dissipated before the leaves begin to fall.

One prominent coal official, who refused to be quoted, was asked what the people of New York are going to do to get coal.

"Depend on the Lord and soft coal," he replied, and then explained that soft coal can be had now and it will burn sufficiently to give the desired results. He explained further that for many years soft coal was burned throughout the West, both in the household and the factory. He said it would be two months before any coal was actually needed for household heating and by that time the scarcity will have ended.

In substantiation of this latter optimism, the coal merchant said that in May, 1902, there was a coal strike. Mining was resumed in October and by November coal was available.

By the following January he declared the strike had been entirely forgotten. "So you see it is easy to catch up once we get started," he concluded.

In other sections of the coal industry in this city it was stated to-day that coal dealers have contracted for the importation of British coal and Virginia coke. These coals have been bought at top notch prices and if the Pennsylvania strike is settled soon, they will be caught with the imported product on their hands at prices at which they cannot sell it. "We are taking a gamble," another coal merchant declared, "and while the coal is not being mined, we are losing thousands of dollars a day, so you see this strike is of no benefit to us, no matter."

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THREE STRANGELY SLAIN WITH IRON BAR; HOUSE ON FIRE

Wounded Man Notifies Police of Murders—Is Held on Suspicion.

CANTON, O., Aug. 30.—Two women and a man were murdered and another man wounded here early this morning by an unknown man, who lay in wait for his victims and struck them down with an iron bar as they entered the house. The murderer escaped. The dead were Mrs. Freda Burns, twenty-seven; Frank Burns, her husband, twenty-five; Mrs. Mary Nola, twenty. Luther Armstrong, twenty-two, suffered a severe scalp wound when the iron bar wielded by the murderer struck him a glancing blow.

When Armstrong and Mrs. Nola entered the Burns home, where Mrs. Nola resided, a man hiding in a room just off the hallway, seized Mrs. Nola with a blow and then struck Armstrong with the iron bar, according to the story told police by Armstrong, whom the police are holding on suspicion pending further investigation.

The bodies of Mrs. Burns and her husband were found in adjoining rooms. The heads of all the victims were crushed. The iron bar used by the slayer was found just inside the door. Police say Mrs. Nola and her husband were separated.

A pile of rags and waste paper in a room in the house was burning, the blaze evidently having been started by the murderer with intent to hide evidence of his crime, the police assert.

PRODUCTION OF HARD COAL DELAYED BY ONE SMALL ITEM AS TO DURATION OF CONTRACT

Further Conferences to Be Held in Philadelphia Expected to Reach Agreement on Point at Issue—Record Output Is Predicted in Two Weeks at Most.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30 (Associated Press).—When spokesmen for the anthracite operators and the miners' union left Washington in the early morning hours to-day, after all-night conference, the only obstacle remaining to prevent resumption of hard coal production was said to be a dispute over the length of time through which wage contracts would run.

The mine operators, who have stoutly insisted that arbitration be adopted to fix permanent future wage levels, a proposal which John L. Lewis, the miners' chief, has flatly refused to consider, apparently abandoned the position in the informal discussions last night and early to-day, after Senators Pepper and Reed of Pennsylvania had given them assurances that Congress intended setting up a coal commission this winter which would officially investigate all phases of the industry and perhaps in some measure lay down a basis for wage payments.

The employers did, however, insist that if work were resumed with wartime wage scales in effect, against the levels of which they protest, the new contract would terminate on April 1, 1923, and that wages should be readjusted then.

Mr. Lewis, for the miners, desired a much longer term through which to maintain the war-time wage rates which were in effect last April when work was suspended in the anthracite regions. The tentative discussion ended with this agreement unsolved, but with the arrangement to put the decision up to the responsible groups which speak for all the miners and all the employers concerned.

Before leaving Washington, Mr. Lewis and S. D. Warriner, spokesman for the anthracite operators, conferred with Secretary of Labor Davis and general optimism was expressed afterward over the outlook.

Government officials familiar with the industry said, however, that an agreement could not be expected to result in more than 25 per cent. of a normal production of hard coal for the first week or ten days after the mines are opened, and that a month probably would lapse before the output reached the pre-strike daily average.

It is said that while neither Lewis nor Warriner is empowered to sign, they have agreed to the terms laid down and will recommend to both sides that they accept them.

Pending the conclusions of the general representatives of both the employers and the employees in the anthracite industry, it was further agreed the text of the suggested settlement proposal would be withheld. The miners and operators will consider the matter in separate gatherings.

The belief here is that the further conferences on the subject to be held in Philadelphia would begin to-morrow. Mr. Lewis left here for Philadelphia, but expected to go on to Saratoga during the day, making it unlikely that he could take part in any discussions in Philadelphia before to-morrow.

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